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DETAILED ACTION

Amendment Entry

1. Newly submitted/amended claim 16 is directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: The modification to claim 16 directs the invention to a new and distinct method. Presently the method entails host treatment, therein reading on disease prevention and/or regression. A priori the method merely inhibited a binding event between a first target protein and second binding protein. Clearly the method did not involve disease treatment.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claim 16 is withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

2. The reply filed on 8/12/002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): See above explanation. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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3. Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 1600 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Group 1600 via the PTO Fax Center located in Crystal Mall 1. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The Group 1641 Fax number is (703) 308-4242, which is able to receive transmissions 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.

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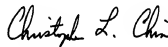
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